

To: FCC Chair Michael Powell--

The decision you are about to make regarding Broadcast Ownership is an important one and one that, I believe, has not had enough public debate. Also, I don't think enough time and effort has been spent to educate the public on the ramifications of these rule changes. I don't believe that further media deregulation, as has been done with radio, would be a benefit to the people of the United States.

I think that ownership of television stations, newspapers, and other media is already too consolidated. Further consolidation is unnecessary and does not follow the spirit of our country's history of the sharing of diverse view points and ideas. Consolidation in the radio industry has left us with a homogenous, boring, lower quality product and I don't want the same to happen with television, newspapers, et al.

Please do your civic duty and allow further public debate of this topic. The airwaves are owned by the people and should exist to serve the best interest of the people by providing a platform for the broadcast of a multitude of different content, not the content of a few mega-corporations.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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